

**FEMA-1971-DR-AL / FEMA-3319-EM-AL  
Joint Alabama - FEMA Situation Report No. 53  
(State Report No 62)**

**Incident Status Summary ICS 209A  
FINAL JFO SITUATION REPORT**

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**FEMA-1971-DR-AL Declaration + 169 Days**

<b>1. Incident Name</b> FEMA-1971-DR-AL FEMA-3319-EM-AL	<b>2. Operational Period (Date / Time)</b> From: September 29, 2011 0730 CDT To: October 15, 2011 0730 CDT	<b>3. Date Prepared:</b> October 13, 2011	<b>4. Report No:</b> 53 FINAL REPORT
<b>5. Type of Incident:</b> The incident began on April 15, 2011, when severe storms, flooding, and tornadoes struck portions of Alabama. A second, more severe weather outbreak moved across the northern portion of Alabama during the early morning hours of April 27, 2011, with tornadoes, severe thunderstorms, hail and damaging straight line winds. Later that same day, numerous super-cell thunderstorms produced long-lived strong to violent tornadoes across the northern two-thirds of Alabama. The National Weather Service (NWS) official assessment has confirmed that 20 of the 62 tornadoes that struck the State of Alabama were rated EF1 to EF5 on the Fujita Scale.			
<b>7. Declaration Information:</b> Incident Period: April 15, 2011 to May 31, 2011			
<b>Date Issued</b>	<b>Declaration</b>	<b>Remarks</b>	
04272011	FEMA-3319-EM-AL	Emergency Declaration issued for all 67 counties specifically authorized to provide emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance, under Public Assistance (PA) program.	
04302011	Amendment No. 1	Amended to terminate Joe Girot as Federal Coordinating Official, and appoint Michael F. Byrne as Federal Coordinating Official.	
05312011	Amendment No. 2	Amended to close the Incident Period	
04282011	FEMA-1971-DR-AL	Major Disaster Declaration for Individual Assistance (IA) for Cullman, DeKalb, Franklin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Marshall, Tuscaloosa and Walker Counties. All 67 counties approved for Public Assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measure (Categories A and B). Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) approved for all counties.	
04292011	Amendment No. 1	Amended to include Marengo and Sumter Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures under FEMA-3319-EM-AL).	
04302011	Amendment No. 2	Amended to include Autauga, Calhoun, Elmore, Etowah, Marion, St. Clair and Tallapoosa Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B).	
04302011	Amendment No. 3	Amended to terminate Joe Girot as Federal Coordinating Official, and appoints Michael F. Byrne as Federal Coordinating Official.	
05012011	Amendment No. 4	Amended to include Bibb, Blount, Cherokee, Choctaw, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Jackson, Limestone, Madison and Washington Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B).	
05022011	Amendment No. 5	Amended to include Colbert, Morgan and Winston Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B).	
05022011	Amendment No. 6	Amended to include Chilton, Coosa, Shelby, Pickens and Talladega Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B).	



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05032011	Amendment No. 7	Amended to include Lamar and Lauderdale Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B)).
05042011	Amendment No. 8	Amended to include Chambers County for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B)).
05042011	Amendment No. 9	Amended to include Clarke and Perry Counties for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B)).
05062011	Amendment No. 10	Amended to include Monroe County for IA (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B)).
05102011	Amendment No. 11	Amended to include Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Cullman, DeKalb, Elmore, Franklin, Jackson, Limestone, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Walker, and Winston Counties for PA (Categories C-G), (already designated for IA and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.
05132011	Amendment No. 12	Amended to include Cherokee, Choctaw, Colbert, Etowah, Fayette, Hale, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marengo, Morgan, St. Clair, Sumter, Talladega and Tallapoosa Counties for Public Assistance (Categories C-G), (already designated for Individual Assistance and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program).
05172011	Amendment No. 13	Amended to include Lamar and Tuscaloosa Counties for Public Assistance (Categories C-G), (already designated for Individual Assistance and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program).
05052011	Amendment No. 14	Amended to authorize as a pilot project a 90 percent Federal cost share until June 12, 2011 (45 days from the date of the declaration) for Direct Federal Assistance for debris removal for those areas within counties designated for Public Assistance that are within, Or immediately adjacent to, areas of "extensive" or "catastrophic" damage as determined and depicted by the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency. Further, under this pilot program, FEMA shall obtain any applicable private insurance payments for debris removal to reimburse Federal costs to the fullest extent of the law.
05252011	Amendment No. 15	Amended a pilot project at 90 percent Federal cost share until July 12, 2011 for Direct Federal Assistance for debris removal for those areas within counties designated for Public Assistance that are within, or immediately adjacent to, areas of "extensive" or "catastrophic" damage as determined by the Federal Coordinating Officer applying objective standards used by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency. FEMA shall continue to pursue any applicable private insurance payments for debris removal to reimburse Federal costs to the extent permitted by law. A ninety percent Federal cost share for all other eligible debris removal, including direct Federal assistance, from May 25, 2011 until July 12, 2011.
05312011	Amendment No. 17	Amended to close the Incident Period.
06012011	Amendment No. 16	Amended to include Escambia County for Individual Assistance (already designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program). Greene and Perry Counties for Public Assistance (Categories C-G) (already designated for Individual Assistance and assistance for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program).



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**Current Situation:**

FEMA-1971-DR-AL will officially close October 15, 2011 and transition in the same location to the FEMA-1971-DR-AL Program Processing Center (PPC) on October 17, 2011.

Long-Term Community Recovery Center (LTCR) in Hackleburg will close on October 31, 2011 and in Rainsville on November 5, 2011.

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Warehouse Tuscaloosa closes November 5, 2011.

A total of \$72,581,631 has been approved for Individuals and Households Program (IHP) and \$68,959,458 has been disbursed. Eight hundred and sixty-seven (867) IHP Max Awards have been approved for a total of \$26,191,095.

Registration for funeral assistance is 352 as of COB October 12, 2011 and of that 164 requests approved for a total of \$1,112,290.

There is one (1) inspector in the field as of October 12, 2011; 50,250 inspections have been issued with 50,248 returned for 99.9 percent completion.

A total of 366 Requests for Public Assistance (RPAs) were submitted to the State; 388 RPAs were logged into data entry and 388 were entered into Emergency Management Mission Integrated Environment (EMMIE). One thousand nine hundred ninety two (1,992) Project Worksheets (PWs) were received and entered into One thousand three hundred forty three (1343) are obligated for \$104,330,509.

A total of 9,582,91 cubic yards (CYs) of debris have been removed.

Ten (10) communities are active in Long Term Community Recovery.

Hours of Operation for the Joint Field office (JFO) are 0730 CDT to 1600 CDT Monday through Friday. JFO now closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

**9. Fatalities/Casualties: N/A**

**9a. Fatalities:** 255 confirmed by the County Coroners. As of September 29, 2011 there were seven (7) fatalities from the April 15 storm and 248 fatalities from the April 27 storm.

**9b. Hospitalizations:** N/A

**9c. Injuries:** N/A

**10. Extent of Damage: N/A**

**10a. Specific Metrics:** Nothing To Report (NTR)

**10b. Structures Damaged:** NTR

**10c. Structures Destroyed:** NTR

**10d. Power Outages:** NTR

**11. Evacuation Status:** N/A

**12. Significant Impacting Weather in the past O-Period:** NTR

**13. Threats to Human Life:** N/A

**14. Threats to Structures:** N/A

**15. Threats or Disruptions to Infrastructure, Significant:** NTR

**16. Critical Resource Needs:** N/A



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**17. Operations – Field Operations Branch (FOB): N/R**

**17a. Operations – Public Assistance (PA):**

<b>Current as of COB: October 12, 2011</b>	
State received RPAs	363
RPAs received into data entry	366
RPAs entered into EMMIE	388
Estimated total of Project Worksheets	2050
No. Project Worksheets into EMMIE	2007
No. Project Worksheets Obligated	1343
\$ Obligated (75% Federal Share)	\$104,330,509

**17b. Operations – Hazard Mitigation Branch:**

**Community Education Outreach (CEO):**

Staff posted six (6) success stories, drafted thirty (30) success stories with nineteen (19) submitted to Headquarters (HQ).

**Hazard Performance Analysis (HPA):**

CEO writers have conducted 29 interviews and drafted 30 success stories. Of these 19 have been submitted to Headquarters, 17 have been posted on the FEMA website, and 9 have been published in FEMA Weekly.

Mitigation advisors counseled a total of 6,712 disaster survivors.

Outreach advisors have staffed 31 Lowes Stores (Autauga, Calhoun, Colbert, Cullman, DeKalb, Elmore, Etowah, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan, St. Clair, Shelby and Tuscaloosa Counties); 38 Big Box Stores in Autauga, Blount, Calhoun, Chilton, Cullman, Etowah, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Madison, Marshall, Morgan, St. Clair, Shelby, Talladega, Tallapoosa, Tuscaloosa, and Walker Counties for a total of 69 building supply stores. Outreach advisors approached 128,119 and counseled 82,437 survivors. Of these, 3,755 were referred to DRCs/DLOCs or the FEMA Hotline for assistance.

<b>Hazard Mitigation as of October 12, 2011</b>		
Total safe room loss avoidance site visits	21	
Flood Reviews completed this operational period	81	Total flood reviews to-date: 783
Total HMGP Projects obligated	22	Total Obligated \$2,923,212

**Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA):**

HMA obligated 22 HMGP projects. The request includes 14 residential safe rooms, 2 community safe rooms, and 1 siren upgrade for a total of \$751,897. Nine (9) applications were received from the state from the following counties: DeKalb, Franklin, and Walker. These applications are for 80 residential safe rooms and 1 community safe room.

During the current operational period, FMI completed 53 flood reviews, conducted 290 site visits to determine the latitude and longitude of proposed residential safe rooms and 38 topographical maps for HMA HMGP projects. To date FMI staff has completed 1,060 flood reviews, 1,251 site visits to determine the latitude and longitudes and 807 topographical maps.

FMI staff has met with 277 public officials or floodplain managers out of 277 (100%) in NFIP participating communities in the impacted areas.

**Environmental Historic Preservations (EHP):**

Continues to support PA mission.

**17c. Operations – Tribal Relations: N/A**

**17d. Operations - Air Operations: N/A**

**17e. Operations - Environmental: N/A**

**18a. ESF-01 State of Alabama – Transportation: N/A**

**18a. ESF-01 FEMA - Transportation: N/A**

**18b. ESF-02 Communication: N/A**

**18c. ESF-03 – Public Works/Engineering: N/A**



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**18d. ESF-04 – Firefighting: N/A**

**18e. ESF-06 – Mass Care: N/A**

**18f. Individual Assistance (IA):**

**Human Services**

**Other Needs Assistance ONA:**

Dollars approved: \$19,508,517; dollars disbursed: \$16,117,620; number of payments disbursed: 9,914

**Disaster Unemployment Agency (DUA):**

1,061 claims received, 321 approved, for a total \$386,302 approved.

**Funeral Cases:**

352 total, 164 eligible, one (1) pending for a total of \$1,112,290 approved.

**DHOPS:**

Total licensed private sites: 236, units licensed on commercial sites: 72.

Total THU work orders issued	374
Total inspections completed	347
Total work orders in progress	0
Total licensed in	255

**Pre-Placement Interview (PPI) Approval Processing:**

A total of 6,426 PPI applicants were identified for PPI and 5,954 applications were contacted. Three hundred and four (304) applicants were approved for P4 (potentially eligible for a THU).

As of COB October 12, 2011			
No. Housing Payments Disbursed	17,018	No. ONA Payments Disbursed	9,948
Housing Dollars Approved	\$53,003,439	ONA Dollars Approved	\$19,578,192
Housing Dollars Disbursed	\$52,770,013	ONA Dollars Disbursed	\$16,184,948
Outstanding Inspections	2	DUA Dollars Disbursed	\$ 386,302
DRCs Open	0	DRC Visitors	0
Daily Registrations	0	Cumulative Total Registrations	88,205
DLOCs Open	0	DLOC Visitors	0

As of COB October 12, 2011, 867 maximum awards (\$30,200 each) approved for payment, \$26,191,095.

**Volunteer Agencies:**

**Volunteer Agency Liaison (VAL):**

As of COB October 11, 2011 Thirty homes have been completely rebuilt and another 70 homes have been repaired by volunteer groups.

Nine State level organizations have indicated an interest for applying for the Disaster Case Management Grant Funds.

**18g. ESF-07 – Resource Support: Activated for contract purposes.**

**18h. ESF-08 – Public Health/Medical Services: N/A**

**18i. ESF-10 – Oil/Hazmat Response: N/A**

**18j. ESF-11 – Agriculture/Natural Resources: N/A**

**18k. ESF-12 - Energy: Deactivated, May 15, 2011.**

**18l. ESF-13 - Public Safety/Security: N/A**

**18m. ESF-14 Long Term Community Recovery (LTCR):**

LTCR participated in the Birmingham (Pratt City) RUDAT (Regional Urban Development Assistance Team) workshop for community leaders.

RUDAT recommended the creation of the Greater Pratt Coalition to bring together the community organization with the non-profit sector, private sector, city and County in order to generate capacity critical to see major recovery projects to completion.



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**18n. ESF-15 - External Affairs (EA):**

External Affairs (ESF-15) staff has completed final production on "Alabama Recovers," a video featuring Long Term Recovery efforts and the six-month anniversary video for October 27. ESF-15 continues to produce the final media products to support the JFO transition and upcoming anniversary. EA Staff will transition operations to Region IV and demob by November 9.

**External Affairs (EA):**

**Joint Information Center (JIC):**

Completed 20 media contacts, including 3 interviews, with news outlets to deliver key messages, which included encouraging disaster survivors to stay in touch with FEMA.

**EA Congressional:**

Disseminated two Advisories to Congressional District Office Staff on the Current IHP assistance to date by county and FEMA Operations Report – Alabama Congressional Delegation.

**Planning & Products (P&P):**

Finalized executive talking points for six-month anniversary video.

**19a. Finance / Administration:**

FEMA-1971-DR-AL COB October 12, 2011			
Organization	Checked In	Pending	Total
FEMA	158	0	158
Other Federal Agencies	0	0	0
State *	65	0	65
Non-FEMA	63	0	63
Total	286	0	286

State personnel checked into the JFO \*

FEMA-1971-DR-AL COB October 12, 2011		
	Subtotals	Totals
Total Allocations		\$565,229,094
Total Available Commitments	\$ 440,676	
Available Obligations - Grants & Temporary Housing	\$48,853,897	
Available Obligations - Mission Assignments	\$80,309,095	
Available Obligations - All Other	\$24,803,696	
Total Available Obligations	\$153,966,688	
Total Expenditures	\$410,139,778	
Total Funds Available		\$681,952

FEMA-3319-EM-AL COB October 12, 2011		
	Subtotals	Totals
Total Allocations		\$1,827,242
Total Available Commitments	\$0	
Available Obligations - Grants & Temporary Housing	\$0	
Available Obligations - Mission Assignments	\$298,703	
Available Obligations - All Other	\$286,562	
Total Available Obligations	\$585,265	
Total Expenditures	\$1,241, 977	
Total Funds Available		\$0



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Federal Funds Reimbursed to Local Jurisdictions through AEMA under the Public Assistance Program: \$52,252,430

**20. Logistics:** NTR

**21. Planning:** NTR

**22. Safety:** Recertified five (5) forklift operators.

**23. Security:** NTR

**24. Other Notes, Issues or Additional Remarks:**

**25. Proposed Objectives for FEMA-1971-DR-AL PPC.** Operational period October 17, 2011 0700 CDT to October 31, 2011 0700 CDT. Final IAP was published September 29, 2011. The following are the priorities and initial objectives for the PPC which opens at the same location October 17, 2011.

**Priorities:**

Expedite the delivery of the Public Assistance Program.  
Transition Temporary Housing Occupants into permanent housing solutions.  
Expedite the implementation of the Hazard Mitigation Program.  
Provide technical assistance to coordinate Long Term Community Recovery.



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**Incident Objectives:**

Objective 22.10: Recertify 137 THUs based on the licensed date. (total of 274 THU occupants as of 9/26/11).

Objective 2.16: Obligate \$44,000,000 in Category A & B and \$34,000,000 in Category C - G. (for a total of \$78,000,000 of the remaining \$78,000,000 for Category A-G).

Objective 2.20: Process 95% of PWs Category A-G through all review queues NLT 10/28/2011.

Objective 28.4: Provide technical assistance to 5 potential applicants regarding the demolition process.

Objective 28.6: Provide demolition assistance to the City of Tuscaloosa and County of Tuscaloosa.

Objective 47.2: Initiate the review of 5 new HMGP applications (4 applications ready for allocation, and 9 applications under review) for a total allocation of \$1,107,492.

Objective: support the processing of Public Assistance and Mitigation projects.

Complete 10 community open-house meetings (2 visioning, 3 designing, 3 prioritizing and 2 finalizing sessions) facilitated by ESF #14-LTCR.

Objective: Implement the JFO Closure and Transition Plan by closing the JFO on 10/15/2011 and opening the Program Processing Center on 10/17/2011.

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**Attachment 1 – Designated Counties Table**

FEMA-1971-DR-AL					Current As Of: 10/13/2011					
Declaration Date: 04/28/2011					Incident Period: 04/15/2011 to 05/31/2011					
Number of Counties & Tribal Areas Designated										
Individual Assistance	43	Public Assistance	67	Tribal Nations	0					
Declaration Information										
Jurisdiction	Affected Not FEMA Designated	Declaration Dates								
		IA	Public Assistance							
	A		B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
Autauga		4/30	4/28	4/28						
Baldwin			4/28	4/28						
Barbour			4/28	4/28						
Bibb		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Blount		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Bullock			4/28	4/28						
Butler			4/28	4/28						
Calhoun		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Chambers		5/04	4/28	4/28						
Cherokee		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Chilton		5/02	4/28	4/28						
Choctaw		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Clarke		5/04	4/28	4/28						
Clay			4/28	4/28						
Cleburne			4/28	4/28						
Coffee			4/28	4/28						
Colbert		5/02	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Conecuh			4/28	4/28						
Coosa		5/02	4/28	4/28						
Covington			4/28	4/28						
Crenshaw			4/28	4/28						
Cullman		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Dale			4/28	4/28						
Dallas			4/28	4/28						
DeKalb		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Elmore		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Escambia		6/01	4/28	4/28						
Etowah		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Fayette		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Franklin		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Geneva			4/28	4/28						
Greene		5/01	4/28	4/28	6/01	6/01	6/01	6/01	6/01	



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Hale		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Henry			4/28	4/28						
Houston			4/28	4/28						
Jackson		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Jefferson		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Lamar		5/03	4/28	4/28	5/17	5/17	5/17	5/17	5/17	
Lauderdale		5/03	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Lawrence		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Lee			4/28	4/28						
Limestone		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Lowndes			4/28	4/28						
Macon			4/28	4/28						
Madison		5/01	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Marengo		4/29	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Marion		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Marshall		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Mobile			4/28	4/28						
Monroe		5/06	4/28	4/28						
Montgomery			4/28	4/28						
Morgan		5/02	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Perry		5/04	4/28	4/28	6/01	6/01	6/01	6/01	6/01	
Pickens		5/02	4/28	4/28						
Pike			4/28	4/28						
Randolph			4/28	4/28						
Russell			4/28	4/28						
Shelby		5/02	4/28	4/28						
St. Clair		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Sumter		4/29	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Talladega		5/02	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Tallapoosa		4/30	4/28	4/28	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	5/13	
Tuscaloosa		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/17	5/17	5/17	5/17	5/17	
Walker		4/28	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	
Washington		5/01	4/28	4/28						
Wilcox			4/28	4/28						
Winston		5/02	4/28	4/28	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	5/10	

All counties in the State of Alabama are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.